

VIII AMERICAS BUSINESS FORUM of the FTAA SMALLER ECONOMIES

SUMMARY OF CLADEC AND ACCA RECOMMENDATIONS

On behalf of the Express Delivery Services sector of the Americas, CLADEC and ACCA offer the following recommendations to the Americas Business Forum concerning the FTAA Draft Chapter on Smaller Economies:

Our companies support the inclusion of provisions in the FTAA that would genuinely benefit smaller economies, and enable them to implement their FTAA commitments in a transparent manner while increasing their participation in regional trade.

In this connection, CLADEC and ACCA observe that key consensus recommendations from the Quito Workshop on Smaller Economies have not been advanced, and new approaches may be required.

Prompt implementation of the business facilitation agreed in Toronto would bring immediate relief to small economies and their traders. The Parties should provide effective technical assistance and funding to ensure that business is genuinely facilitated in our hemisphere.

We are pleased that the services supplied by our members facilitate smaller economies' competition in regional markets by express delivering time-sensitive inputs, information, and products to distant markets.